



20

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Group Art Unit: 1712  
Examiner: Jeffrey Robertson

In Re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Applicants : Dieter KERNER et al.

Appln. No. : 10/084,336

Conf. No. : 5608

Filed : February 28, 2002

For : SURFACE-MODIFIED, DOPED,  
PYROGENICALLY PRODUCED  
OXIDES :

Atty. Dkt. : 39509-177800

**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY  
AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO  
THE NOTICE OF NON-  
COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37  
CFR 1.121)**

26694  
U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**May 26, 2005**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed April 28, 2005, please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.